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v **BOLTON WANDERERS**
Football League Division Two
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1950-51
London Challenge Cup Finalists 1923-24
1951-52
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57-58 58-59 59-60
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VALLEY

BOLTON WANDERERS come to The Valley this afternoon topping the Second Division league table and hoping that it will be third time lucky for them in their bid to gain promotion to the First Division.

After looking certain of going up in the previous two seasons Wanderers were pipped at the post on both occasions and dropped a point here in a 1-1 draw at the end of last season.

Ian Greaves team have been in splendid form this season and have been beaten only twice, at Crystal Palace and two weeks ago at Fulham. Bolton beat us 2-1 up at Burnden Park when we felt we were worth at least a draw.

Today is the 50th league match between our two clubs and the Charlton team will be hoping to extend their unbeaten home league run which now stretches 21 matches.

We were hit by injuries for the visit to Burnley at Turf Moor last week and disappointingly lost 1-0 after dominating the game in the second half.

Hugh McAuley and Keith Peacock both missed the game.

Laurie Abrahams and Willie O'Sullivan replacing them. It was O'Sullivan's first full league match. David Campbell returned after illness in place of Jimmy Giles, who is on the transfer list at his own request, and started a three match suspension with the Burnley game.

McAuley was suffering from a hamstring strain and Peacock had not recovered from the groin strain which troubled him during the Sunderland match.

The draw for the Third Round of the F.A. Cup will be made at five past five this afternoon and we will be hoping for a home match against top opposition. The tie is due to be played on Saturday, January 7.

There are no matches next Saturday which is Christmas Eve and our next league game is on Boxing Day, Monday, December 26, when we travel to The Potteries to play Stoke City at the Victoria Ground. The following day, Tuesday, December 27, we are at home to Southampton, kick-off 3 pm.

The Directors, Management and Players would like to wish all supporters a Happy Christmas.

NEWS

FOCUS ON DIVISION TWO

Spurs top 500,000

Last Saturday's attendance of 31,960 at Roker Park for Spurs match against Sunderland not only consolidated the North London Club's position as the top attraction at away games but also pushed their aggregate home and away crowds to 513,169. Spurs average home "gate" is 31,815 compared with 30,173 in the First Division last season, and although their average away "gate" is over 7,000 down on last term's figure, it is, at 22,684, nearly 4,000 higher than promoted Chelsea's Second Division average last season.

There was some disappointment in Charlton circles at the size of our home crowd against Sunderland a fortnight ago!

It was felt our brilliant home form deserved an attendance greater than the 12,761 that gathered at The Valley but on closer examination this, in fact, represented the second highest Second Division crowd on what was an extremely cold day. Charlton are one of ten teams in the Division whose average home "gates" exceed those away from home.

With plenty of attractive games to come, our average home attendances are 2,000 up on last season. Let's hope, before the season is much older, many more thousands of football lovers in the district will get the message that Charlton are in the top bracket when it comes to entertaining football, especially at The Valley.

The Valiants extend their post-war home record

Our fine victory over Sunderland stretched our unbeaten home record to 21 League matches — the best current run of any team in the Football League.

This also represents a post-war record for Charlton who are now chasing their all time Club record of 28 successive unbeaten League games created before the last war.

Another remarkable fact is that we've scored in every League match at The Valley since our 2-0 reversal against Cardiff on August 21st last year — a run of 28 matches.

Certainly the Valley fans are the most spoilt fans in the land when it comes to goals — for and against we're the first to admit. To illustrate the point further, one has to go back to our Third Division match against Bournemouth on 6th April 1974 to discover the last 0-0 match at The Valley.

SECOND DIVISION ATTENDANCES (number of games shown in brackets)

HOME	Total	Average	AWAY	Total	Average
Tottenham	286,332(9)	31,815	Tottenham	226,837(10)	22,684
Sunderland	262,924(10)	26,292	Brighton	169,412(9)	18,824
Brighton	234,437(10)	23,444	Bolton	156,801(9)	17,422
Crystal P.	226,147(10)	22,615	Luton	166,365(10)	16,637
South'pton	196,331(10)	19,633	Sunderland	140,232(9)	15,581
Bolton	190,169(10)	19,017	Fulham	154,927(10)	15,493
Stoke	154,690(10)	15,469	Burnley	135,612(9)	15,068
Sheff. Utd.	149,786(10)	14,979	South'pton	135,424(9)	15,047
Charlton	104,121(8)	13,015	Sheff. Utd.	128,056(9)	14,228
Blackpool	94,110(9)	10,457	Crystal P.	125,504(9)	13,945
Mansfield	100,349(10)	10,035	Oldham	136,983(10)	13,698
Burnley	96,403(10)	9,640	Bristol R.	111,279(9)	12,364
Millwall	81,157(9)	9,017	Cardiff	107,211(9)	11,912
Luton	80,960(9)	8,996	Blackburn	117,976(10)	11,798
Blackburn	79,199(9)	8,800	Orient	117,411(10)	11,741
Notts C.	78,715(9)	8,746	Hull	104,387(9)	11,599
Fulham	76,076(9)	8,453	Charlton	111,525(10)	11,153
Orient	75,512(9)	8,390	Stoke	99,423(9)	11,047
Hull	82,588(10)	8,259	Millwall	108,939(10)	10,894
Cardiff	69,318(9)	7,702	Notts C.	108,713(10)	10,871
Oldham	67,993(9)	7,555	Mansfield	94,426(9)	10,492
Bristol R.	64,992(10)	6,499	Blackpool	94,866(10)	9,487
	2,852,309(208)	13,713		2,852,309(208)	13,713

C.C.

Peter Burrowes

BEHIND THE SCENES



Mike Flanagan proudly holds the silver salver he won as the *Evening Standard* Footballer of the Month for November. The leading goalscorer in the Second Division with 16 goals, 15 in the league and one in the League Cup, Mike is the first Charlton Athletic player to have won the award. *Picture by courtesy of the "Evening Standard".*

On Wednesday, December 21, Henry Cooper will pick out the first £1,000 winner in the *Great London Cash Lottery*. The choice of Henry to do the honours has pleased Colin Cameron of our Match Magazine Editorial team who was once lucky enough to appear on the same boxing bill as Henry at Forest Hill Baths in March 1951.

Both were members of the Eltham and District Amateur Boxing Club and Henry at that time had just started his rise to fame. For the record Colin won his fight that day and remembers the kind congratulations of the Cooper twins.

Hugh McAuley was very disappointed at missing the match at Burnley last week as it was the first time he has been absent from the Charlton Athletic first team since he joined us from Plymouth Argyle at Christmas last year.

Hugh missed the game with a hamstring strain which he has been playing with for a couple of matches but hopefully will be fit for today's crucial encounter.

Following the Club's successful tours with supporters to Tunisia and Majorca in previous years the Club are considering a similar tour from May 12 to 19 next year to Pontin's Holiday Club, Cala Mesquida, Majorca.

The cost for full board in twin-bedded chalet accommodation with shower and toilet would be £98 per person including return flight from Luton and coach travel from the airport to Cala Mesquida and to matches. At this stage we would like to get some idea of the number of supporters interested in such a tour before we commit ourselves. Would those interested write to us by December 23 with £10 returnable deposit per person.

Further details about the resort and the other clubs taking part will be published in our next Match Magazines.

We would like to welcome a new face to The Valley, defender Peter Shaw who joins us from Isthmian League side Staines Town.

Reserve goalkeeper Gary Sproul who has been on a month's trial from West Ham United, will be staying at The Valley for the rest of the season. He was injured in a recent match and has had a cartilage operation.

Laurie Madden, who has been playing in the reserves, has signed on a three month contract.

The colts whose South East Counties League form this season has been disappointing, hit the jackpot in the F.A. Youth Cup recently when they beat Swindon Town 5-1 down at the County Ground. In Monday's draw for the next round we are at home to Croydon.

The victorious Charlton team was T. Fell; N. Hudson, T. Earnshaw; C. Ramsey, M. Bevis, D. Bassett; M. Newson, K. Hunt, C. Staplehurst, W. O'Sullivan, S. Carey. Sub: A. Booth. Scorers: Hunt (2), Staplehurst, O'Sullivan, Carey.

In the London Youth Cup the Colts play either West Ham United or Cheshunt.

The reserves have reached the semi-finals of the Midweek League Cup following their recent draw 1-1 with Southend United at Roots Hall. They also beat Portsmouth 3-2 at The Valley in a league game, O'Sullivan, Burman and Abrahams scoring the goals.

Our Guests

Bolton Wanderers

JIM McDONAGH (*Goalkeeper*) Jim joined the Wanderers at the start of last season on a month's loan from Rotherham United, and was signed for a £10,000 fee as cover for Barry Siddall. He soon got promotion with the transfer of Siddall to Sunderland and held the first team spot for the remainder of the season.

PETER NICHOLSON (*Defender*) Signed from Blackpool for a small fee prior to the 1971-2 season and has proved to be a fantastic bargain. He can play anywhere in defence and had a long spell at full back last season.

TONY DUNNE (*Defender*) Eire international who played for most of his career with Manchester United. Was a member of the United European Cup winning side and since coming to Bolton has proved to be a favourite with the fans.

ROY GREAVES (*Midfield*) Long serving player who had a recent testimonial. Born in Farnworth, near Bolton, he is a non-stop worker.

PAUL JONES (*Defender*) A central defender he has been a member of the Under-23 and full England squads. He is a commanding player in the air as well as on the ground.

SAM ALLARDYCE (*Defender*) A young central defender born in the Midlands, Sam joined the Wanderers from school and since coming into the side in 1975 has held down a regular place.

WILLIE MORGAN (*Striker*) Started his career with Burnley, then moved to Manchester United for a big fee. Returned to Burnley and was signed by the Wanderers two seasons ago. A Scottish international and member of the last World Cup squad, Willie spent last summer playing in American football.

NEIL WHATMORE (*Striker*) Strong attacker with a flair for scoring goals. He scored 31 times last season to top the Second Division scoring chart for League and League Cup goals.

MIKE WALSH (*Defender*) Manchester-born Mike joined the Wanderers from school. Recently gained a regular place in the side, and scored in the 6-3 win over Cardiff on Saturday.

PETER REID (*Midfield*) Another youngster who joined Bolton from School on Merseyside. Peter played for England's Under 21 side last season and went on the close-season tour of Scandinavia with the national side.

FRANK WORTHINGTON (*Striker*) Bolton's record signing from Leicester City for a £90,000 fee in October. Started at Huddersfield, is an England International with lots of skill in the air and on the ground.

GARRY JONES (*Striker*) Born in Manchester, Garry is a strong running attacking player. He can put pressure on defenders and once he gains more consistency seems certain to be a regular goalscorer.



Back Row (left to right): Garry Jones, Steve Taylor (now Oldham Athletic), Roy Greaves, John Ritson, Mike Walsh, Brian Smith.

Middle Row: Alan Waldron (now Blackpool), Terry Poole, Neil Whatmore, Sam Allardyce, Jim McDonagh, Peter Nicholson.

Front Row: Tony Dunne, Ray Train, Andy Clements, Paul Jones, Peter Reid, Willie Morgan, Peter Thompson.

In Action...



WITH TOM MORRIS

The 3-2 win against Sunderland in our last home game.

(Left inset): Les Berry scores the first goal.

(Right inset): Mick Henderson puts the ball past his own 'keeper for the equaliser.

(Main picture): Mike Flanagan leaps over Barry Siddall as the ball enters the net for the winner.

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FIXTURES

DIVISION TWO SEASON 1977-78		Goals	Attendance	J. Wood	R. Curtis	P. Warman	D. Campbell	J. Giles	L. Berry	C. Powell	L. Abrahams	M. Flanagan	R. Tydeman	H. McAuley	K. Peacock	T. Burman	W. O'Sullivan	M. Pentold	S. Grift	L. Smith	A. Dugdale	M. Hicks	Opp
1977 Aug	20	1-1	9,849	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	(8)	9	10	11	12					12	5		
	27	3-1	6,449	1		3	4	2	2	7	8*	(9) ²	6	11	10					12	5		
	30	1-2	8,288	1		3	4	2	7	8	(9)	6	11	10					12				
	30	1-7	9,061	1	2*	3	4	5	6	7	12	9	4	(11) ¹	8				12				
Sept	10	2-1	8,751	1		(3) ¹	3	5	6*	7	12	9	4	(11) ¹	8			2					
	17	1-1	7,242	1		3	12	5	6	7	8	(9)	4	11	10			2					
	24	1-1	13,309	1		3	12	5	6	7	8	(9)	4	11	10			2					
	24	1-1	8,412	1		3	3	5	6	7	8	(9) ²	4	11	(10) ¹			2					
Oct	30	4-3	19,098	1		3	3	5	6	(7) ¹	8*	9	4	(11) ¹	(10) ¹			2					
	8	1-2	6,888	1		(3)	3	5	6	12	8*	9	4	(11) ¹	(10) ¹			2					
	8	0-2	30,706	1		3	3	5	6	7	8	(9) ³	4	(11) ¹	(10) ¹			2*					
	15	4-1	30,706	1		3	3	5	6	12	8*	9	4	(11) ¹	(10) ¹			2*					
Nov	22	1-1	8,273	1		3	3	5	6	7	12	9	4	11	10								
	29	1-1	25,788	1		3	12	5	6	7	8	(9)	4	11	10								
	5	2-2	9,046	1		3	12	5	6	7	12	9	4	11	10								
	12	1-2	15,977	1		3	12	5	6	7	12	(9) ¹	4	11	(10) ¹								
Dec	19	3-0	8,896	1	3*	3	3	5	2	(7) ²	12	(9) ¹	4	11	10								
	26	2-0	5,899	1		3	3	5	(2) ¹	7	12	(9) ¹	4	11	10								
	3	3-2	12,766	1		3	5	5	(2) ¹	7	12	(9) ¹	4	11	10								
	10	0-1	9,439	1		3	5	5	2	7	11*	9	4	11	10								
1978 Jan	17	1-1																					
	26	1-1																					
	27	1-1																					
	31	1-1																					

1978

Jan	2	Fulham	27.12.77	Southampton (F.L.)	3.00 p.m.
	7	F.A. Cup 3			
	14	Blackpool	2.1.78	Fulham (F.L.)	3.00 p.m.
	18	League Cup 5			
	21	Luton Town	3.1.78	Millwall (MWFL)	2.00 p.m.
	28	F.A. Cup 4			
Feb	4	Orient	10.1.78	Southend United (MWFL)	2.00 p.m.
	8	League Cup S.F.			
	10	Oldham Athletic			
	15	League Cup S.F.			
	18	Millwall (5)			
Mar	25	Bristol Rovers			
	4	Blackburn Rovers			
	11	Tottenham Hotspur (6)			
	17	Notts County (LCF)			
	24	Crystal Palace			
	25	Southampton			
	27				
Apr	28	Stoke City			
	1	Mansfield Town			
	4	Cardiff City			
	8	Hull City (F.A. Cup SF)			
	15	Sheffield United			
	22	Burnley			
	25	Brighton & H.A.			
	29	Sunderland			
May	6	F.A. Cup Final			

NEXT HOME MATCHES

Tuesday	27.12.77	Southampton (F.L.)	3.00 p.m.
Monday	2.1.78	Fulham (F.L.)	3.00 p.m.
Tuesday	3.1.78	Millwall (MWFL)	2.00 p.m.
Tuesday	10.1.78	Southend United (MWFL)	2.00 p.m.

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Football League Division 2

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

	Home					Goals				
	P	W	D	L	F A	W	D	L	F A	Pts
Bolton Wanderers	19	9	1	0	23	10	4	3	2	10 - 8 30
Tottenham Hotspur	19	7	2	0	26	4	3	3	3	11 27
Brighton & H.A.	19	6	3	1	20	12	3	3	3	9 8 24
Blackburn Rovers	19	7	3	1	17	6	2	5	3	10 14 24
Blackpool	19	4	3	2	15	10	5	2	3	15 13 23
Southampton	19	4	3	2	17	6	2	3	4	9 13 23
Charlton Athletic	18	7	1	0	24	11	1	4	5	9 18 21
Sheffield United	19	7	2	1	18	9	1	3	5	13 19 21
Sheffield Palace	19	4	2	4	16	13	3	4	2	11 9 20
Luton Town	19	5	2	2	15	6	3	1	6	13 16 19
Stoke City	19	6	1	3	15	10	1	4	4	6 11 19
Sunderland	19	4	3	3	17	11	1	5	3	14 19 18
Orient	19	4	4	1	16	13	1	4	4	7 11 18
Fulham	19	4	4	1	19	9	2	1	7	8 15 17
Hull City	19	4	3	3	13	8	1	4	4	6 11 17
Oldham Athletic	19	3	5	1	11	9	1	3	6	9 18 16
Notts County	19	3	5	1	13	9	1	2	7	10 23 15
Millwall	19	1	6	2	7	10	1	4	5	9 14 14
Bristol Rovers	18	4	3	2	12	13	0	2	7	9 30 13
Cardiff City	19	3	2	5	14	16	1	2	6	10 19 12
Charlton Town	19	3	2	5	14	16	1	2	6	10 19 12
Burnley	19	3	4	3	9	8	1	0	8	7 24 12

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MIDWEEK LEAGUE As at 7/12/77

	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
Peterborough U.	10	6	2	2	25	13 14
Wimbledon	8	5	1	2	17	9 11
Charlton Athletic	8	5	0	3	21	10
Millwall	9	4	2	3	16	18 10
Brighton & H.A.	8	4	1	3	17	11 9
Brentford	6	4	0	2	14	9 8
Cambridge Utd.	6	2	3	1	9	8 7
Watford	8	2	2	4	11	15 6
Portsmouth	9	2	2	5	14	18 6
Gillingham	7	2	2	3	12	19 6
Northampton T.	8	2	1	5	8	14 5
Southend United	9	1	2	6	8	18 4

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE As at 10/12/77

	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
Queen's P.R.	15	13	1	2	35	15 25
Fulham	16	10	3	3	29	20 23
Chelsea	12	9	1	2	27	11 19
Millwall	15	6	6	3	26	20 18
Norwich City	14	8	1	5	26	22 17
Ipswich Town	14	6	4	4	25	17 16
Portsmouth	13	4	5	4	15	13 13
Gillingham	13	6	1	6	18	18 13
Arsenal	15	5	2	8	20	24 12
**Crystal Palace	12	5	2	5	17	13 10
West Ham United	13	4	2	7	19	20 10
Southend United	14	4	2	8	22	31 10
Orient	14	4	1	9	18	36 9
Tottenham H.	14	3	2	9	20	33 8
Charlton Athletic	13	2	3	8	16	26 7
**Watford	13	3	2	8	13	27 4

**Points deducted

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE 1977/78

1977	Aug 20	Southend United	(A)	2-4
	27	Gillingham	(H)	3-1
1977	Sep 3	QPR	(H)	0-3
	10	Chelsea	(H)	1-2
	24	Watford (Cup)	(H)	0-4
	Oct 1	Fulham	(H)	1-1
	8	Ipswich	(A)	1-2
	15	Watford	(H)	1-1
	22	Millwall	(A)	3-3
	29	Crystal Palace (Cup 2)	(H)	0-0
	Nov 5	Norwich City	(A)	1-2
	12	Gillingham	(H)	3-2
	19	Arsenal	(H)	0-1
	26	Crystal Palace (Cup 2 Replay)	(A)	2-4
	Dec 3	Crystal Palace	(H)	0-1
	10	Orient	(A)	0-0
	17	Millwall	(H)	1-0
	31	QPR	(A)	1-0
1978	Jan 7	Tottenham Hotspur	(A)	1-0
	14	Watford	(A)	1-0
	21	Norwich City	(H)	1-0
	Feb 4	Portsmouth	(A)	1-0
	11	Portsmouth	(H)	1-0
	18	Arsenal	(A)	1-0
	25	Ipswich	(A)	1-0
	Mar 4	Southend United	(H)	1-0
	18	Orient	(H)	1-0
	25	Tottenham Hotspur	(H)	1-0
	Apr 1	Crystal Palace	(A)	1-0
	8	West Ham United	(H)	1-0
	15	West Ham United	(A)	1-0
	22	Watford	(H)	1-0
To be arranged				
Chelsea				
		(A)	1-0	Molesey

MID-WEEK FOOTBALL LEAGUE FIXTURES 1977/78

1977	Aug 31	Millwall	(A)	1-4
	Sep 20	Watford	(H)	3-2
	28	Peterborough U	(A)	0-2
	Oct 11	Brighton	(A)	1-4
	18	Northampton T	(H)	3-2
	25	Peterborough U	(H)	5-4
	Nov 1	Cambridge U (LC)	(A)	1-2
	8	Cambridge U (LC)	(H)	6-0
	17	Gillingham	(A)	4-0
	22	Southend U (LC)	(H)	2-0
	30	Southend U (LC)	(A)	1-1
	Dec 6	Portsmouth	(H)	3-2
	14	Watford	(A)	
1978	Jan 4	Millwall	(H)	2-00
	10	Southend U	(H)	2-00
	24	Cambridge U	(H)	2-00
	31	Wimbledon	(A)	7-30
	Feb 8	Southend U	(A)	
	21	Brighton	(H)	2-00
	Mar 1	Northampton T	(A)	
	7	Wimbledon	(H)	2-00
	13	Cambridge U	(H)	
	28	Brentford	(H)	
	Apr 11	Brentford	(H)	2-00
	26	Gillingham	(H)	2-00
To be arranged				
Portsmouth				
		(A)		2-30

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PLAYER PROFILE

Full name: *Jeffrey Reginald Wood.*

Height: *6ft. 1in.*

Weight: *10st. 13lbs.*

Date of birth: *4.2.54.*

Birthplace: *Islington.*

Signed as professional: *1975.*

Previous clubs: *Harlow Town.*

League debut: *v. Nottingham Forest at Valley 24.2.76.*

Most difficult opponent: *Mike Flanagan in Training.*

Most memorable moment: *Beating Spurs 4-1.*

Most disappointing moment: *Losing 7-1 at Luton.*

My ambition in the game: *To win promotion with Charlton.*

Biggest influence on career: *The Boss, Peter Shearing, Harry Cripps.*

Favourite ground: *Hull City (Boothferry Park).*

Total appearances: *74 League, 2 F.A. Cup, 4 F.L. Cup.*

Family: *Wife, Sandra.*

Hobbies: *Squash, Table Tennis.*

Person I would most like to meet: *The Queen at Wembley.*

LOOKING BACK

with Colin Cameron

40 YEARS AGO (1937/38)

Following our defeat against Arsenal, manager Jimmy Seed made several team changes for the long trip North to play Sunderland (Nov. 27).

Wing halves Joe Jobling and Fred Ford were rested which meant a recall for George Green at right half, and a change of jobs for Don Welsh who was switched from centre forward to left half.

Mr. Seed's most interesting selection, however, was an 18 year old Sunderland born striker Tom Owens, signed only two months earlier from Washington Colliery. Young Tom didn't exactly have a dream League debut but certainly wasn't out of place in a Charlton team that were unlucky to return South with only one point in a 1-1 draw — George Tadman cancelling out a Burbanks goal before the interval.

The same Charlton team was on duty again when we faced Everton at The Valley (Dec. 4). A crowd of 23,000 braved the elements, and their loyalty was rewarded with another fine performance from a Charlton team that displayed fire and skill in far greater quantities than an Everton side which included Joe Mercer and Tommy Lawton.

Welsh opened the scoring for Charlton, and although Cunliffe equalised

before the break, further goals from George Robinson and a first ever from Owens gave us a comfortable 3-1 victory.

20 YEARS AGO (1957/58)

We were unchanged for the fourth successive match when we travelled to Bristol to meet the Rovers at Eastville (Nov. 16).

After a shaky opening 20 minutes, in which time Biggs opened the scoring for Rovers, we were the better side, playing attractive football but attempting one pass too many on several occasions.

As Charlton squandered their chances, Rovers held on grimly to record a 1-0 victory which no one could begrudge considering they were reduced to 10 men for the final 35 minutes of the match — a groin injury forcing skipper Geoff Bradford to leave the field.

The following Monday, the same Charlton team left London Airport in a B.E.A. Viscount en route for Milan to play, on Nov. 20, the full Italian international XI who were preparing for a World Cup qualifying match against Northern Ireland.

We were magnificent, and achieved a remarkable 1-1 result — a 65th minute Bobby Ayre goal being cancelled out by Nicole's net finder.

The Italians used 17 players (including Boniperti and the brilliant Schiaffino) against a Charlton team forced to bring on one substitute, Cyril Hammond, when Gordon Jago was injured.

The Reuter, A.P. report summed up the match as follows: "Charlton outplayed 17 star Italians here today. 'Keeper Bugatti saved Italy. It was Charlton nearly all the way and only their poor shooting and the great goal-keeping of Bugatti saved Italy'".

10 YEARS AGO (1967/68)

It was a much reshaped team containing many changes (some positional) that faced Bristol City at Ashton Gate (Nov. 25).

Manager Eddie Firmani's line-up read: Wright, Curtis, Kinsey (Stenson sub. 85 mins.), Moore, Went, Reeves, Campbell, Tees, Gregory, Booth, Peacock.

After a goalless first half, we opened the scoring with a Paul Went penalty, and after Harry Gregory had added a second, we went on to win 2-0 — our first away win of the season.

Gordon Bolland, signed from Norwich (Nov. 28), was the only change for the visit of Birmingham (Dec. 2), replacing Dennis Booth who took over John Stenson's substitute role.

After Barry Bridges had given the Blues a 37th minute lead, Gregory replaced two minutes later for Charlton.

And in the second half we emphasised our edge over dangerous rivals with two goals, in the space of seven minutes, from the brave Matt Tees.

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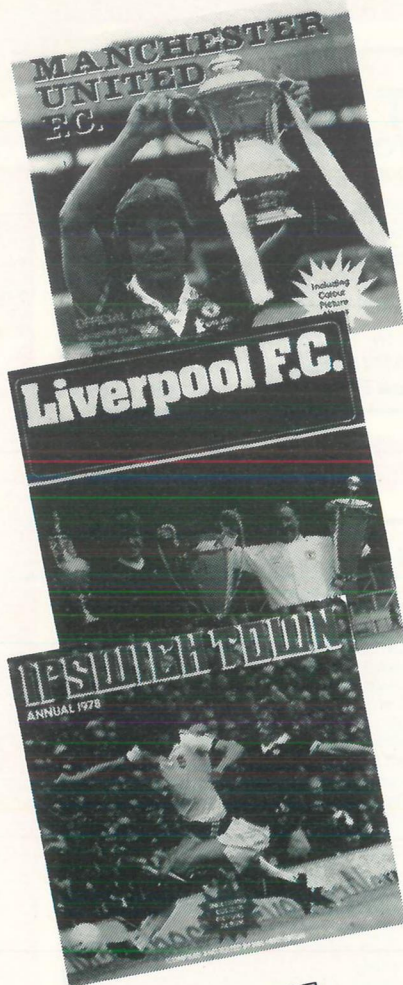
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